

October 19, 2023

Minutes

The Florence City Council met on October 19, 2023, with Mayor Mary Condon presiding and Council members Amy Hansson, Debra Bartos Cahill, Denise Deichmann, Lesa Ragsdale and Mike Harrell were present.

Staff members present: Mary Dixon, Adam Marsh, Stacey Adams, Daniel Ortiz

Legal Counsel present: None

Guests present: None

Mayor Mary Condon called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Mayor Mary Condon asked any Guests addressing the Council to speak at this time. **No Public comments.**

1. Tabled (1st reading) of an Ordinance amending Article 13.02, Water and Sewers, of the City's Code of Ordinances, to establish increases in the water, bulk water, and sewer rates.

2. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to accept the 2nd reading of Ordinance No. 10032023-01, repealing the juvenile curfew established by prior Ordinances Nos. 08042009-01, 09022014-01, 05022017-01, and 10062020-01, subsequently codified in the Code of Ordinances as Article 8.02, Minors, Division 2, Curfew, Sections 8.02.031 through 8.02.035, to comply with new state legislation (2nd Reading). Amy Hansson seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann- for
Lesla Ragsdale- for
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

3. Lesa Ragsdale made the motion to increase the maximum purchase requisitions dollar amount to \$300.00; before requiring the Mayor's approval. Mike Harrell seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann- for
Lesla Ragsdale- for
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

4. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Participation and Access to the Williamson County's Dispatch Services and Public Safety Software Systems and Related Support Services between Williamson County and the Local Governmental Entity, City of Florence Police Department. Denise Deichmann seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann- for
Lesla Ragsdale- for

Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

5. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to accept the quote from Mac Haik Dodge, in the amount of \$6913.48, for repairs to the Dodge Durango, K-9 Unit. Amy Hansson seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann- for
Lesa Ragsdale- for
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

6. Denise Deichmann made the motion to approve a set stipend of \$25.00 per pair of pants for Public Works employee uniforms; with a max of six (6) pairs per year for full time employees and three (3) per year for part time employees. Lesa Ragsdale seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann- for
Lesa Ragsdale- for
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

7. Denise Deichmann made the motion to approve accepting the quote from Levior Energy upgrading the lights at 106 S. Patterson to new energy efficient LED light fixtures through the Oncor program; with Blue Santa and the City of Florence splitting the remaining balance of \$3,678.67. Discussion was had to offer for the City to pay 25%. Motion died due to no second. Discussion was had about current plumbing issues. Amy Hansson made a motion to allow Blue Santa to proceed with the upgrades with full responsibility for the costs of \$3,678.67. Denise Deichmann seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann- for
Lesa Ragsdale- abstain
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

8. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to establish a new date of **December 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** for a public hearing; at which time Florence City Council will consider the adoption of Land Use Assumptions and a Capital Improvement Plan related to Wastewater Impact Fees. Amy Hansson seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann- for
Lesa Ragsdale- for
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

9. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to establish a date of **January 9, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.** for a public hearing; at which time Florence City Council will consider the adoption of Wastewater Impact Fees. Amy Hansson seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann- for
Lesa Ragsdale- for
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

10. Review of estimates to rebuild the lift station pumps at the WWTP **was tabled** so additional quotes could be obtained for comparisons and details.

11. Review of estimates for transfer switches at Wells and WWTP **was tabled** so additional quotes could be obtained for comparisons and details.

12. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to establish a salary range of \$60,000 to \$70,000 for Director of Public Works; with minimum of required Class C Ground Water. Amy Hannson seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann-for
Lesa Ragsdale- for
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried.

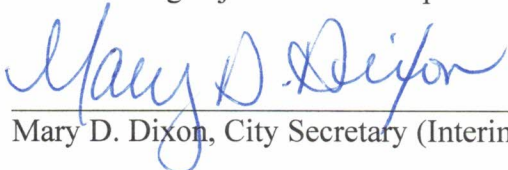
13. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to approve the expenditures. Amy Hannson seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon ask to poll the Council.

Denise Deichmann-for
Lesa Ragsdale- for
Mike Harrell - for
Amy Hansson- for
Debra Bartos Cahill-for
Motion carried

14. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. and November 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.; if needed. Mayor Mary Condon polled the Council who would be present at the next meeting.

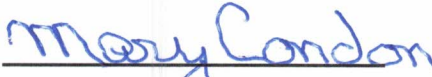
Lesa Ragsdale- confirmed
Denise Deichmann- confirmed
Mike Harrell- confirmed
Amy Hansson- confirmed
Debra Bartos Cahill- confirmed

15. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

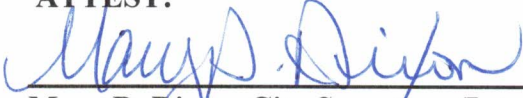


Mary D. Dixon, City Secretary (Interim)

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, this
14th day of November, 2022.**


Mary Condon, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mary D. Dixon, City Secretary (Interim)